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Title: **ON FIELD INSPECTION OF HANSA-3 AIRCRAFT (VT-HNS) AT IIT – KANPUR**

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National Aerospace Laboratories has supplied the indigenous developed HANSA –3 Aircraft to various flying clubs in the country. One such aircraft was supplied to Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur during April 16th 2000. As per DGCA regulations, periodic inspection and maintenance need to be carried out on these aircrafts. The aircraft VT-HNS IIT-Kanpur has completed 5 years of service life. Hence it was required to carried out some mandatory checks and tests to re certify the aircraft for flying. In this context one of the checks to be carry out on the aircraft structure is Non Destructive Testing for which Fibre Reinforced Plastic Division is responsible.

NDT tests was carried out using Woodpecker (WP-632M) on this VT-HNS HANSA-3 Aircraft during May 17th to 25th 2007. While carrying out NDT, the measurement and marking of the defect zones were done in real time, rather than storing the data and post – processing. This procedure is adapted for all the components of the Aircraft. The adapted method is highly useful for field applications where the repair disposition can be given immediately and the repair of the damaged part can be taken up without delay. Results of the test revealed that there was no damage on the aircraft structure and it was cleared for further flights from NDT viewpoint.